



Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
Between
Department of Information and Media
Ministry of Information and Communications
And
Royal Textile Academy of Bhutan
On
Black Box Theater (Drama Program)



RTA

This MoU is signed between the Department of Information and Media (DoIM) of Ministry of Information and Communications (MoIC) and the Royal Textile Academy (RTA), wherein the two organizations intend to carry out the Black Box Theater (Drama Program).

The program is a 3 months course with the intake of 30 youths and will be conducted at Royal Textile Academy (RTA) starting tentatively from the third week of July to September 2022. The classes will be conducted from 9 AM to 1:00 PM every day for Black Box Theater and in the afternoon students from various schools identified by the Ministry of Education will be engaged. This place under the RTA will be called The Art Lab.

I. PURPOSE

The program is dramatic arts education that integrates rigorous realistic scene study, physical based actor learning, stanislavski based script analysis, modern dance, choreography, voice and speech, singing and creating original work. The artist trained under the black box theater program is expected to develop an understanding of drama based on the innovative approaches to physical acting and performance. Such art education will stimulate creativity in problem solving, help to explore thoughts, emotions and dreams leading to becoming analytical and thinking critically. The participants will be trained as a theatrical troupe and expected to become professional actors ready to perform in movies, TV and OTT industry.

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II. AREAS OF COOPERATION AND COLLABORATION

- A. RTA will provide the space at a subsidised rate (Nu. 17,000/- per month) for three months to organize the Black Box Theater.
- B. Black Box Theater will be part of the Bhutan Creative Arts Festival. B-CAF is an annual creative arts festival organized jointly by DoIM, MoIC and RTA.

III. BUDGET

With the total estimated cost of Nu. 0.791 million, Black Box Theater will be fully funded by the Department of Technical Education, Ministry of Labour and Human Resources. The program will be conducted in collaboration with the Royal Textile Academy (RTA). The RTA's contribution will be in the form of rental space, which will be provided at subsidised rate of Nu. 17,000/- per month.

IV. VALIDITY

This MoU will be valid only for the Black Box Theater Program for the FY 2022-2023.

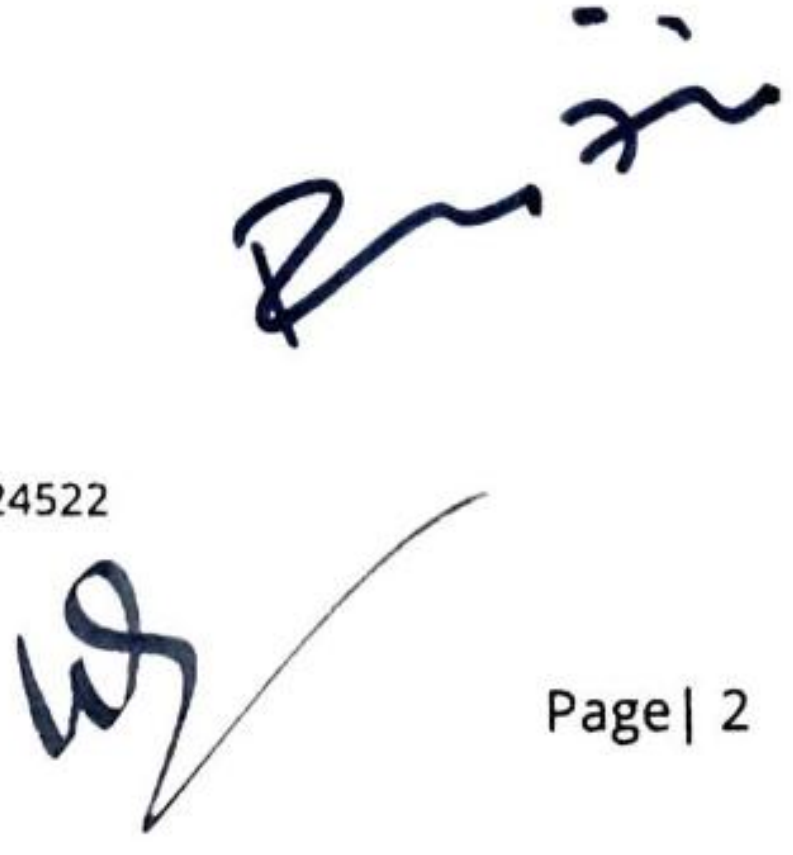
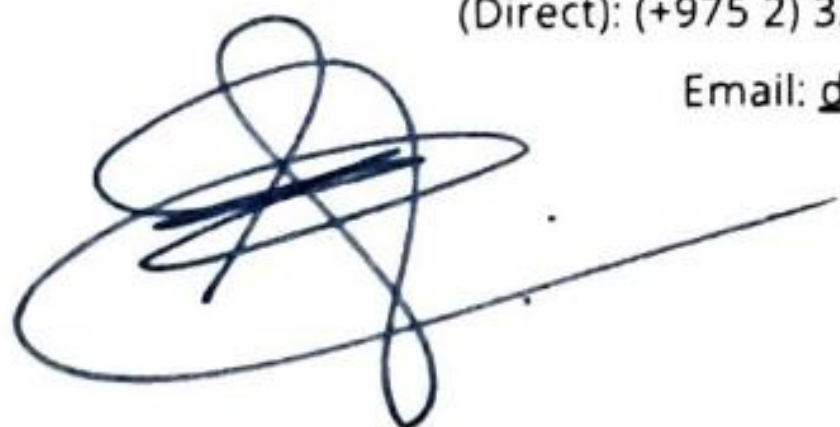
V. TERMINATION

This MoU may be terminated by either party, at any time. The parties shall mutually consult with each other to determine whether activities under this MoU should continue or not.

VI. AMENDMENT

This MoU may be amended with the mutual written consent of both the parties.

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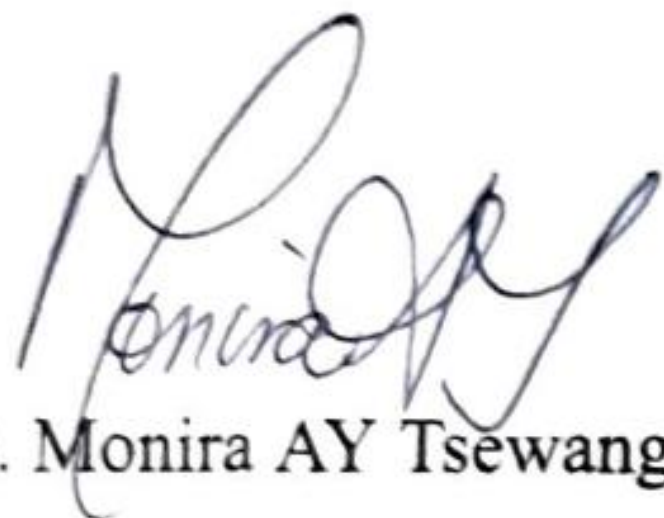
VII. DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Any dispute regarding the interpretation or application of this MoU will be resolved through mutual consultations between the Parties and based on the principles of mutual understanding and respect.

VIII. COMMENCEMENT

This MoU shall come into effect on the date of signing of this document.

Signed on: 24th June 2022



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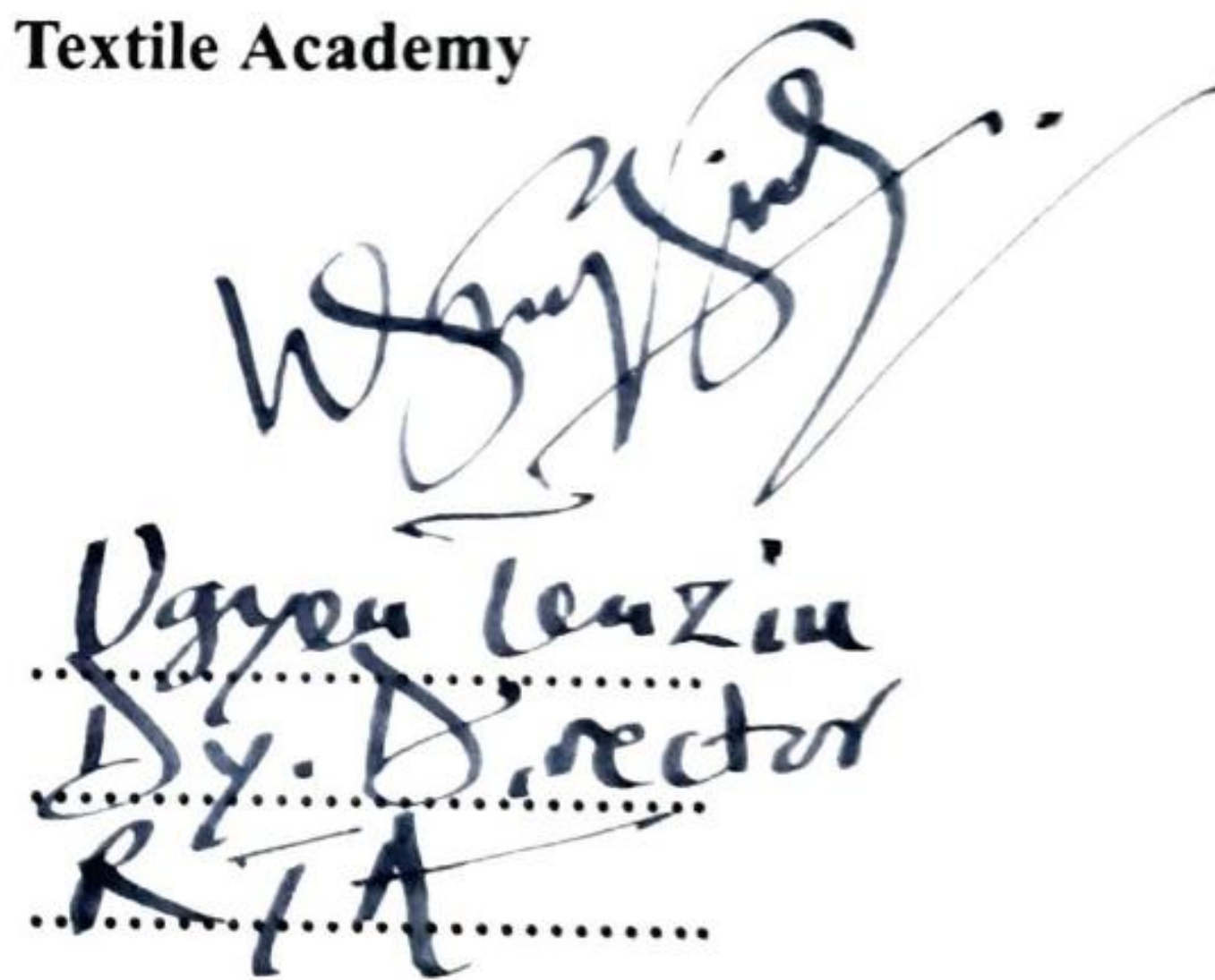
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